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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN ADENA, Deceased, by and through his Co-
Successors in Interest, CIRCE ADENA and
RICHARD ADENA; CIRCE ADENA, Individually,
and RICHARD ADENA, Individually,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

SHASTA COUNTY, a public entity; SHASTA
COUNTY SHERIFF-CORONER TOM BOSENKO,
in his individual capacity; CAPTAIN DAVE KENT;
SHASTA COUNTY JAIL DEPUTIES KIRK
SCHRITTER, DEVIN HURTE, DEPUTY DIAZ,
EMMANUAL ALCAZAR, ZACHARY
JURKIEWICZ, JOSEPH GRADY, NATHANIAL
NEVES, HECTOR CORTEZ; WELLPATH INC., a
Delaware corporation; WELLPATH
MANAGEMENT, INC., a Delaware Corporation;
WELLPATH LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability
Company; TRACY LEWIS, L.M.F.T.; PAM
JOHANSEN, L.C.S.W.; DANIEL DELLWO, P.A.;
and DOES 1–20; individually, jointly and severally,

Defendants.

Case No.

**COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES,
DECLARATORY AND
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, AND
DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

1 Plaintiffs, by and through their attorneys, HADDAD & SHERWIN LLP, for their Complaint
2 against Defendants, state as follows:

3 **JURISDICTION**

4 1. This is a civil rights wrongful death/survival action arising from Defendants' use of
5 excessive force and deliberate indifference to the serious medical and mental health needs of
6 pretrial detainee, JOHN ADENA, resulting in his death on September 22, 2019, at the Shasta
7 County jail. This action is brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1988, and the Fourth and
8 Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, and the laws and Constitution of the
9 State of California. Jurisdiction is conferred upon this Court by 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1343.
10 Plaintiffs further invoke the supplemental jurisdiction of this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367, to
11 hear and decide claims arising under state law.

12 **INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT**

13 2. A substantial part of the events and/or omissions complained of herein occurred in
14 the City of Redding, Shasta County, California. Pursuant to Eastern District of California Civil
15 Local Rule 120(d), this action is properly assigned to the Sacramento Division of the United States
16 District Court for the Eastern District of California.

17 **PARTIES AND PROCEDURE**

18 3. Plaintiff CIRCE ADENA is the mother of Decedent JOHN ADENA and a resident
19 of the State of California. Plaintiff CIRCE ADENA brings these claims individually and as Co-
20 Successor in Interest for her son, Decedent JOHN ADENA, pursuant to California Code of Civil
21 Procedure §§ 377.10 *et seq.* and federal civil rights laws. Decedent JOHN ADENA had no spouse
22 or children. A successor in interest declaration is filed herewith.

23 4. Plaintiff RICHARD ADENA is the father of Decedent JOHN ADENA and a
24 resident of the State of California. Plaintiff RICHARD ADENA brings these claims individually
25 and as Co-Successor in Interest for his son, Decedent JOHN ADENA, pursuant to California Code
26 of Civil Procedure §§ 377.10 *et seq.* and federal civil rights laws. Decedent JOHN ADENA had no
27 spouse or children. A successor in interest declaration is filed herewith.

28 5. Plaintiffs bring these claims pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure §§
377.20 *et seq.* and 377.60 *et seq.*, which provide for survival and wrongful death actions. Plaintiffs

1 also bring their claims individually and on behalf of Decedent JOHN ADENA on the basis of 42
2 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1988, the United States Constitution, federal and state civil rights law, and
3 California law. Plaintiffs also bring these claims as Private Attorneys General, to vindicate not only
4 their rights, but others' civil rights of great importance.

5 6. Defendant SHASTA COUNTY ("COUNTY") is a public entity, duly organized and
6 existing under the laws of the State of California. Under its authority, the COUNTY operates the
7 Shasta County Sheriff's Office (SCSO).

8 7. Defendant SHERIFF-CORONER TOM BOSENKO ("BOSENKO"), at all times
9 mentioned herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as Sheriff-Coroner for the COUNTY,
10 and he was acting within the course and scope of that employment. In that capacity, Defendant
11 BOSENKO was a policy making official for the COUNTY OF SHASTA. Further, Defendant
12 BOSENKO was ultimately responsible for the provision of medical care to inmates at the
13 COUNTY jail, including assessment of possible mental health needs, and all COUNTY policies,
14 procedures, and training related thereto. He is being sued in his individual capacity.

15 8. Defendant CAPTAIN DAVE KENT ("KENT"), at all times mentioned herein, was
16 employed by Defendant COUNTY as Jail Commander and Captain of the Custody Division,
17 including the jail, for the COUNTY, and he was acting within the course and scope of that
18 employment. In that capacity, Defendant KENT was a policy making official for the COUNTY OF
19 SHASTA. Further, Defendant KENT was responsible for the general management and control of
20 the Custody Division, with primary authority and responsibility for the operations, staff
21 assignments, program development, personnel supervision and training, maintenance and auxiliary
22 inmate services at the jail, subordinate only to the Sheriff and/or Undersheriff.

23 9. Defendant DEPUTY KIRK SCHRITTER ("SCHRITTER"), at all times mentioned
24 herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting
25 within the course and scope of that employment.

26 10. Defendant DEPUTY DEVIN HURTE ("HURTE"), at all times mentioned herein,
27 was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting within the
28 course and scope of that employment.

1 11. Defendant DEPUTY DIAZ (“DIAZ”), at all times mentioned herein, was employed
2 by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting within the course and
3 scope of that employment.

4 12. Defendant DEPUTY EMMANUAL ALCAZAR (“ALCAZAR”), at all times
5 mentioned herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and
6 was acting within the course and scope of that employment.

7 13. Defendant DEPUTY ZACHARY JURKIEWICZ (“JURKIEWICZ”), at all times
8 mentioned herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and
9 was acting within the course and scope of that employment.

10 14. Defendant DEPUTY JOSEPH GRADY (“GRADY”), at all times mentioned herein,
11 was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting within the
12 course and scope of that employment.

13 15. Defendant DEPUTY NATHANIAL NEVES (“NEVES”), at all times mentioned
14 herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting
15 within the course and scope of that employment.

16 16. Defendant DEPUTY HECTOR CORTEZ (“CORTEZ”), at all times mentioned
17 herein, was employed by Defendant COUNTY as a corrections deputy at the jail, and was acting
18 within the course and scope of that employment.

19 17. Defendants WELLPATH INC., WELLPATH MANAGEMENT, INC., AND
20 WELLPATH LLC (“WELLPATH”), were at all times herein mentioned alter-egos of each other,
21 sharing money, resources, policies, practices, officers, directors, attorneys, and management, each
22 organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and licensed to do business in California.
23 Defendant WELLPATH provided medical, mental health, and nursing care to pretrial and post-
24 conviction detainees and inmates in Shasta County Jail and Juvenile Hall, pursuant to a contract
25 with the COUNTY OF SHASTA. On information and belief, WELLPATH and their employees
26 and agents are responsible for making and enforcing policies, procedures, supervision, and training
27 related to the medical care of inmates and detainees in Defendant COUNTY OF SHASTA’s jails,
28 including but not limited to assessment of inmate-patients for mental health and emergency medical
needs, sending patients for emergency medical care and mental health care, and providing suicide

1 prevention precautions. On information and belief, WELLPATH and its employees and agents are
 2 and were at all material times responsible for making and executing policies, procedures,
 3 supervision, and training related to the medical care and/or mental health care of detainees and
 4 inmates in the COUNTY OF SHASTA jails, including, but not limited to, properly assessing and
 5 classifying inmates, properly sending inmates for emergency medical and mental health care,
 6 properly assessing and addressing the mental health needs of inmates, properly assessing and
 7 treating the serious medical and mental health needs of inmates, including suicide prevention,
 8 observation of suicidal and potentially suicidal inmates, mental illness, and emotional disturbance.
 9 Defendants TRACY LEWIS, L.M.F.T., PAM JOHANSEN, L.C.S.W., DANIEL DELLWO, P.A.--
 10 as well as certain DOE DEFENDANTS including, but not limited to WELLPATH employees and
 11 agents acting within the course and scope of their employment with WELLPATH (and within the
 12 course and scope of their employment by COUNTY by virtue of WELLPATH's contract with
 13 COUNTY) -- were all responsible for properly assessing and addressing the medical needs of
 14 inmates, properly assessing and addressing the mental health needs of inmates, properly assessing
 15 and treating the serious medical needs of inmates, providing appropriate observation and a
 16 treatment plan for serious medical needs, including suicide prevention, care and treatment for
 17 mental illness and emotional disturbance, monitoring inmates, and summoning emergency medical
 care when it was needed.

18 18. Defendant TRACY LEWIS, L.M.F.T., was at all material times employed by
 19 Defendant WELLPATH as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, and acted within the course
 20 and scope of that employment. As set forth below, Defendant LEWIS failed to properly assess and
 21 address MR. ADENA's mental health needs, failed to request appropriate suicide precautions for
 22 MR. ADENA in, and following his discharge from, the safety cell, failed to send MR. ADENA to
 23 the hospital when he was not improving in the safety cell, failed to request or institute any increased
 24 observation of MR. ADENA while he was in the safety cell or following his discharge from the
 25 safety cell, and failed to create a treatment plan for MR. ADENA, among other failures, all with
 26 deliberate indifference to MR. ADENA's serious mental health needs.

27 19. Defendant PAM JOHANSEN, L.C.S.W., was at all material times employed by
 28 Defendant WELLPATH, as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and acted within the course and

1 scope of that employment. As set forth below, Defendant JOHANSEN failed to properly assess and
2 address MR. ADENA's medical and mental health needs, failed to request appropriate suicide
3 precautions for MR. ADENA following his discharge from the safety cell, failed to request or
4 institute any increased observation of MR. ADENA in the safety cell or following his discharge
5 from the safety cell, failed to create a treatment plan for MR. ADENA, and failed to summon
6 appropriate and emergency medical care for MR. ADENA when he informed her he was sick,
7 vomiting, and needed medical attention, among other failures, all with deliberate indifference to
8 MR. ADENA's serious mental health needs.

9 20. Defendant DANIEL DELLWO, P.A., was at all material times employed by
10 Defendant WELLPATH as a Physician's Assistant and acted within the course and scope of that
11 employment. Defendant DELLWO failed to properly assess and address MR. ADENA's medical
12 and mental health needs, failed to request appropriate suicide precautions for MR. ADENA, failed
13 to transfer MR. ADENA to the hospital for appropriate medical care for what Defendant suspected
14 was psychosis that may have an "organic" cause, failed to institute constant observation of MR.
15 ADENA, failed to send MR. ADENA to the hospital when he was not improving in the safety cell,
16 failed to request appropriate mental health and suicide precautions for MR. ADENA following his
17 discharge from the safety cell, failed to request or institute any increased observation of MR.
18 ADENA following his discharge from the safety cell, and failed to create a treatment plan for MR.
19 ADENA, among other failures, all with deliberate indifference to MR. ADENA's serious mental
20 health needs.

21 21. Plaintiffs are ignorant of the true names and capacities of Defendants DOES 1-20
22 (DOE Defendants") and therefore sues these Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are
23 informed and believe and thereon allege that each Defendant so named is responsible in some
24 manner for the injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiffs as set forth herein. Plaintiffs will
25 amend their complaint to state the names and capacities of each DOE DEFENDANT when they
26 have been ascertained.

27 22. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that each of the Defendants
28 were at all material times an agent, servant, employee, partner, joint venturer, co-conspirator, and/or
alter ego of the remaining Defendants, and in doing the things herein alleged, was acting within the

1 course and scope of that relationship. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe and thereon allege
2 that each of the Defendants herein gave consent, aid, and assistance to each of the remaining
3 Defendants, and ratified and/or authorized the acts or omissions of each Defendant as alleged
4 herein, except as may be hereinafter specifically alleged. At all material times, each Defendant was
5 jointly engaged in tortious activity and an integral participant in the conduct described herein,
6 resulting in the deprivation of Plaintiffs' and Decedent's constitutional rights and other harm.

7 23. At all material times, each Defendant acted under color of the laws, statutes,
8 ordinances, and regulations of the State of California and Shasta County.

9 24. Plaintiffs timely and properly filed tort claims with Shasta County pursuant to
10 California Government Code sections 910 et seq., and this action is timely filed within all
11 applicable statutes of limitation.

12 25. This complaint may be pled in the alternative pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil
13 Procedure 8(d).

14 GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

15 26. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth
16 here.

17 27. JOHN ADENA was a 31-year-old man who had close relationships with his parents
18 and siblings.





1 Although MR. ADENA had earlier trained to be a fire fighter and paramedic, he had worked at
2 Mercy Medical Center hospital for eight years, most recently as a heart monitor technician, before
3 losing his job in July 2019. Around that time, MR. ADENA began acting strangely and erratically
4 and started to exhibit signs of mental illness, including paranoia, inconsistent with his typical
5 personality and behavior. His sudden shift in behavior was alarming to his family and friends.

6 28. MR. ADENA had no history of assaultive behavior and no criminal record, but on
7 August 17, 2019, he was arrested and charged with violations of Cal. Penal Code §§242 and 647(f)
8 for misdemeanor battery and disorderly conduct. The incident that gave rise to MR. ADENA's
9 arrest indicated that MR. ADENA was suffering from a serious mental illness. The arresting
10 Redding police officers reported that "[MR. ADENA] was not making any sense and appeared to be
11 confused and did not know where he was." Upon arrival at the Shasta County jail, COUNTY
12 Deputy Espinoza completed a medical prescreening form prior to MR. ADENA's admission into
13 the jail and noted that MR. ADENA admitted that he had been suicidal three hours prior, but MR.
14 ADENA was not placed in a safety cell for his own protection or referred to a mental health
15 clinician for an evaluation despite obvious signs that he was suffering from a mental health crisis.
16 MR. ADENA was simply housed in a sobering cell and released the following day.

17 29. On or about August 21, 2019, MR. ADENA was arrested again and charged with
18 two misdemeanors for violating California Penal Code §148(a)(1)(resisting or obstructing a peace
19 officer in the performance of his duties) and §594(a)(1) (vandalism) in Shasta Lake City, California.
20 The arresting Shasta County deputies recognized MR. ADENA from a previous encounter, and
21 knew that he suffered from mental health issues, yet when MR. ADENA did not immediately
22 comply with their orders, likely due to his mental health issues, Shasta County Sheriff's deputies
23 Tased MR. ADENA – the razor-sharp barbed probes striking him in the right bicep and right
24 forearm – and delivered multiple drive stuns to his right shoulder, causing continuous pain and
25 incapacitation. The arresting Shasta County deputies also punched MR. ADENA multiple times in
26 his rib cage area. The deputies then transported MR. ADENA to the hospital for medical clearance
27 before escorting him to Shasta County jail.

1 30. Upon arrival at the Shasta County jail, COUNTY Deputy Van Gerwen conducted the
2 medical prescreening prior to MR. ADENA's admission into the jail. Deputy Van Gerwen knew,
3 but concealed the fact, that force was used to effectuate MR. ADENA's arrest even though MR.
4 ADENA was brutally beaten and Tased multiple times by the arresting deputies.

5 31. Throughout his incarceration, COUNTY Defendants continuously ignored signs that
6 MR. ADENA suffered from a mental health illness and repeatedly engaged in or permitted
7 unnecessary uses of significant force against MR. ADENA, including unreported and concealed
8 beatings, without provocation, ultimately resulting in his death.

9 32. Within hours of being booked into the jail on August 21, 2019, at approximately
10 6:55 p.m., JOHN ADENA, clearly suffering from a mental health condition, was placed in a
11 holding cell with several other inmates. A fight erupted between the inmates, including MR.
12 ADENA, and several deputies arrived at the cell, including COUNTY Defendants KIRK
13 SCHRITTER ("SCHRITTER") and DEVIN HURTE ("HURTE"). Defendant SCHRITTER
14 reported that MR. ADENA ignored his commands to lie on his stomach on the cell floor and that
15 MR. ADENA resisted Defendant SCHRITTER's efforts to pull MR. ADENA onto the floor by
16 pulling his arms into his chest. Reportedly, MR. ADENA began yelling, kicking, and flailing his
17 body around as the deputies tried to force him to the ground. Defendants SCHRITTER and
18 HURTE knew or should have known that MR. ADENA was clearly suffering from a mental health
19 condition, yet, rather than treat his passive resistance and inability to follow instructions with
20 compassion and understanding, COUNTY Deputy Gonzalez Tased MR. ADENA in dart mode,
21 striking him his lower back, then applied a drive stun to the back of MR. ADENA's right thigh. It
22 is well known in law enforcement that use of a Taser constitutes an intermediate, significant use of
23 force causing severe excruciating pain that radiates throughout the body as electrical impulses and
24 instantly overrides the victim's central nervous system, paralyzing the muscles throughout the body
25 and rendering the target limp and helpless. The use of the Taser in drive stun mode is purely to
26 inflict pain. On information and belief, Deputy Gonzalez Tased MR. ADENA for at least a full
27 five-second cycle each time.

1 33. Defendants then requested the Shasta County District Attorney's office to file two
2 additional misdemeanor charges against MR. ADENA for allegedly violating Penal Code § 243(B)
3 (battery) and Penal Code § 148 (resisting/obstructing a peace officer).

4 34. The next day, on August 22, 2019, a WELLPATH nurse attempted to do a
5 neurological check on JOHN ADENA to monitor his condition following the injuries he received
6 the previous day. The nurse was accompanied by COUNTY Defendant SCHRITTER and Deputies
7 Decker and Van Gerwen to MR. ADENA's cell. When the deputies opened the cell, MR. ADENA
8 began exhibiting signs of obvious mental illness, including making incoherent statements, then
9 rolled onto his back and tucked his knees up to his chest and began rocking forward. MR. ADENA
10 clearly did not pose a threat to the deputies. Yet, the deputies entered the cell and, without
11 provocation, forcibly rolled MR. ADENA over on his side and collectively used painful twist lock,
12 figure four, and bar arm compliance holds to handcuff MR. ADENA. As a result of Defendant
13 SCHRITTER and Deputies Decker and Van Gerwen's aggressive tactics, MR. ADENA
14 unnecessarily suffered a bloody nose during this encounter, possibly while handcuffed. On
15 information and belief, there was no need to use any force under these circumstances.

16 35. While maintaining their painful control holds, Defendant SCHRITTER and Deputies
17 Decker and Van Gerwen brought MR. ADENA to the medical division of the jail to be assessed for
18 his injuries. While awaiting medical attention, MR. ADENA allegedly began to resist the deputies,
19 possibly passively. The deputies resumed their unnecessary uses of force when Deputy Stewart,
20 who was assigned to the medical division, grabbed MR. ADENA by the back of his head and forced
21 his head in between his legs, Deputy Decker took control of MR. ADENA's right arm using a c-grip
22 compliance hold. Defendant SCHRITTER and Deputy Decker pulled MR. ADENA down to the
23 floor while continuing to use painful arm, wrist, and figure four control holds. Deputy Webb then
24 pinned MR. ADENA's head down to the floor. Deputy Van Gerwen then applied leg restraints to
25 MR. ADENA's ankles. MR. ADENA consented to an injection consisting of Benadryl and Haldol
26 for sedation. Defendants then carried MR. ADENA to Booking Sobering Cell 4 where they
27 continued to use unnecessary bar arm and figure four holds while MR. ADENA was drugged,
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1 handcuffed and non-threatening. As the deputies removed the handcuffs and backed out of the cell,
2 MR. ADENA rolled back onto his back and resumed rocking back and forth with his knees tucked
3 up to his chest. On information and belief, MR. ADENA continued to show signs of mental illness
4 throughout this encounter and was likely confused, disoriented, and fearful as a result of his mental
5 disorder.

6 36. Defendants then requested the Shasta County District Attorney's office to file two
7 felony charges against MR. ADENA for allegedly violating Penal Code § 69 (resisting/obstructing
8 an executive officer with threats of violence) and one misdemeanor count of Penal Code § 148
9 (resisting/obstructing a peace officer) – which would have the effect of prolonging his jail
10 incarceration under Defendants' care.

11 37. That same day, WELLPATH Defendant TRACI LEWIS, L.M.F.T. ("LEWIS"),
12 contacted MR. ADENA's parents, Plaintiffs CIRCE and RICHARD ADENA, to gather information
13 about MR. ADENA's mental health and suicide history. Plaintiffs told Defendant LEWIS that MR.
14 ADENA had begun exhibiting signs and symptoms of mental illness after recently losing his job
15 and home, and having to move in with his parents, and that he had no history of drug use or mental
16 health history.

17 38. The following day, on August 23, 2019, WELLPATH Defendant PAM JOHANSEN,
18 LCSW ("JOHANSEN"), evaluated MR. ADENA in the mental health clinic. Defendant
19 JOHANSEN reported that MR ADENA was escorted to the mental health clinic by several
20 deputies. MR. ADENA told Defendant JOHANSEN that he worked at a hospital until a few
21 months prior and explained, "I lost my job, I got fired, lost my house." COUNTY DOE Defendants
22 alleged to Defendant JOHANSEN that MR. ADENA "stomped on our feet" the day before.
23 Defendant JOHANSEN noted that MR. ADENA appeared sad, confused, and anxious and that she
24 tried to gather additional information concerning MR. ADENA's mental health, but, although MR.
25 ADENA was cooperative and polite, she suspected that the presence of numerous deputies deterred
26 him from being more forthcoming with information. Defendant JOHANSEN did nothing to
27 evaluate MR. ADENA in private or try to engage him in a supportive conversation to draw out what
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1 Defendants were doing to MR. ADENA in jail. Defendant JOHANSEN noted that she would
2 reattempt her evaluation of MR. ADENA the next day.

3 39. On August 24, 2019, at approximately 10:26 a.m., Defendant JOHANSEN
4 performed the initial mental health assessment on MR. ADENA. She reported that MR. ADENA
5 repeated that he had recently been fired from his job after 8 years and became homeless. Defendant
6 JOHANSEN further reported that MR. ADENA experienced auditory hallucinations and expressed
7 feelings of hopelessness, helplessness, and guilt/worthlessness related to losing his job and
8 becoming homeless, explaining, "I have lost everything. I have no one." Defendant JOHANSEN
9 also noted that MR. ADENA appeared disheveled, hopeless, paranoid, anxious, and confused and
10 making incoherent statements such as, "people were following me, they were after my car."

11 40. Later that day, at approximately 12:04 p.m., Defendant JOHANSEN evaluated MR.
12 ADENA again and noted that MR. ADENA informed her that he had finally slept well after being
13 awake for three days. Defendant JOHANSEN wrote that MR. ADENA continued to appear
14 anxious and that he exhibited possible paranoid ideation as he continued to talk about, "people who
15 don't like me, people were after me." Defendant JOHANSEN reported that she suspected MR.
16 ADENA was suffering from drug induced psychosis, despite having been in Defendants' jail
17 custody for three days without access to any drugs.

18 41. On August 26, 2019, COUNTY Defendants HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, and
19 JURKIEWICZ, escorted MR. ADENA from booking to medical via a "chain-all movement" for an
20 evaluation with WELLPATH Defendant Daniel DELLWO, P.A. ("DELLWO"). On information
21 and belief, a chain-all movement requires belly chains with wrist cuffs and leg irons to significantly
22 limit an inmate's mobility. Defendant DELLWO evaluated MR. ADENA and reported that had no
23 history of mental health issues but, "is clearly struggling with these issues." When Defendant
24 DELLWO asked MR. ADENA if he had ever been on mental health medication, MR. ADENA
25 replied, "I don't need any fucking [mental health] meds," then tried to run out of the medical exam
26 room while he was in handcuffs, leg irons and belly chains.

1 42. As MR. ADENA attempted to run out of the room, Defendants DIAZ and HURTE,
2 on information and belief, tackled him and forced him to the ground. Defendant DIAZ then
3 grabbed MR. ADENA's left wrist and Defendant JURKIEWICZ grabbed his right wrist, and
4 together they forcibly twisted MR. ADENA's handcuffed wrists behind his back using painful rear
5 wrist lock compliance holds. Defendants DIAZ and JURKIEWICZ threw MR. ADENA up against
6 a wall. Deputy Brown, who had arrived to the scene with multiple other deputies, took over control
7 of MR. ADENA's left arm. MR. ADENA allegedly began to "physically resist" – although he was
8 fully restrained by the belly chain, handcuffs, shackles, and deputies' control holds – but none of the
9 deputies reported that MR. ADENA had struck them during this altercation. On information and
10 belief, MR. ADENA's "resistance" consisted of trying to pull his body away from the deputies to
11 prevent further injuries. On information and belief, DOE Defendants were present and observed
12 and/or participated in this use of excessive force by Defendants HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, and
13 JURKIEWICZ and failed to intervene to stop it or to protect MR. ADENA, exhibiting callousness
14 and deliberate indifference to MR. ADENA's well-being and medical needs. Defendants HURTE,
15 DIAZ, ALCAZAR, and JURKIEWICZ then carried MR. ADENA to his cell by his arms and legs.
16 MR. ADENA was housed in cell 3C16 at the time, which required the deputies to take the elevator
17 to level 3.

18 43. On information and belief, COUNTY Defendants have perpetuated a pervasive
19 practice of severely beating and causing significant injuries to inmates during what has been known
20 as "elevator rides." In addition, COUNTY Defendants conduct "elevator rides" in inmates' cells by
21 placing magnetic boards on the windows of cells to conceal what is happening in those cells from
22 other inmates. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that COUNTY Defendants put
23 magnets over the cell windows while they beat and brutalized JOHN ADENA, in an attempt to
24 conceal that abuse from other inmate-witnesses. On information and belief, as a custom and
25 practice, deputies do not document such beatings and uses of excessive force.

26 44. On information and belief, COUNTY Defendants HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR,
27 JURKIEWICZ, and DOES caused severe injuries to MR. ADENA during this "elevator ride" to
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1 level 3, and possibly during other “elevators rides” throughout his incarceration, and furthermore
2 during multiple beatings in his cells.

3 45. Once Defendants HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, and JURKIEWICZ exited the
4 elevator, they carried MR. ADENA to his cell and placed him on the floor. Defendants continued
5 utilizing unnecessary painful figure four pain compliance holds and rear wrist lock compliance
6 holds as they removed the handcuffs, belly chains, and leg irons. As Defendants exited the cell,
7 Defendant HURTE drive stunned MR. ADENA in his lower back for at least a full five second
8 cycle with his Taser. On information and belief, MR. ADENA was incapacitated before being
9 Tased and would not have been a threat to anyone. Yet, Defendant HURTE drive stunned MR.
10 ADENA again in the lower back for at least another full five second cycle. After these unnecessary
11 and grossly disproportionate uses of force, and while MR. ADENA was likely incapacitated and
12 unable to pose any threat to anyone, Defendants continued using painful controls holds on MR.
13 ADENA until they exited the cell. On information and belief, Defendants HURTE, ALCAZAR,
14 JURKIEWICZ, and DIAZ failed to summon medical attention for MR. ADENA after their multiple
15 uses of excessive force.

16 46. Following this incident, Defendant DIAZ wrote up MR. ADENA for violating
17 inmate rules and regulations. A disciplinary hearing was held and MR. ADENA, who was
18 incapacitated by his mental illness as COUNTY Defendants knew, was found guilty. He received
19 30 days disciplinary lockdown and loss of all privileges from September 6, 2019, until October 6,
20 2019. On information and belief, MR. ADENA’s obvious mental health illness was ignored during
21 this hearing, and rather than get him the help he desperately needed, Defendants further penalized
22 him.

23 47. On or about September 16, 2019, at approximately 4:45 a.m., MR. ADENA was
24 brought to the emergency room at Shasta Regional Medical Center after he reportedly fell off the
25 top of his bunk bed and hit the back of his head on the hard cement floor. MR. ADENA suffered
26 severe 2-centimeter posterior scalp lacerations requiring staples to seal. He was cleared to return to
27 jail that same day.

1 48. Upon returning back to the jail, MR. ADENA had a telepsychiatry consultation with
2 WELLPATH psychiatrist, Stancil Johnson, M.D. Dr. Johnson reported that MR. ADENA injured
3 his head by banging it onto a wall, and noted that based on staff reports, MR. ADENA had no
4 significant psychiatric problems (despite extensive charting of Mr. Johnson's significant psychiatric
5 problems in WELLPATH records), although he had previously seen a psychiatrist for anxiety. Dr.
6 Johnson wrote MR. ADENA a prescription for anxiety and scheduled a follow up appointment for a
7 week later.

8 49. WELLPATH Defendant DELLWO then assessed MR. ADENA and observed that
9 the two lacerations on the back of MR. ADENA's head were likely the result of self-harm, rather
10 than from MR. ADENA falling off the top bunk bed, which would cause one laceration from a
11 single impact from the fall, not two or more lacerations. Defendant DELLWO recommended MR.
12 ADENA be placed in a safety cell due to being a danger to himself for purposely causing his head
13 lacerations. Although he believed that MR. ADENA's injuries were self-inflicted, Defendant
14 DELLWO failed to create any treatment plan for MR. ADENA.

15 50. MR. ADENA was then placed in a safety cell, and on information and belief, with
16 his clothing removed, and given a safety smock and blanket. Given Defendants' belief that MR.
17 ADENA's serious head injury was self-inflicted, Defendant WELLPATH's Suicide Prevention
18 policy required that MR. ADENA be placed on constant, one-on-one direct observation. The
19 requirement of constant, 24 hour, 7 day a week observation for inmate-patients who are acutely at
20 risk of suicide is a nationally generally accepted standard. Defendant WELLPATH's policy
21 required that MR. ADENA receive this constant observation. However, Defendant COUNTY has
22 refused to provide any cells within its nine-floor jail where patients can receive the required
23 constant observation. In addition, Defendants COUNTY, BOSENKO, and KENT allow their
24 employees to cover cell windows with magnets which preclude patients from being observed
25 through them, and preclude beatings and abuse of the inmates from being observed.

26 51. On September 16, 2019, MR. ADENA was first observed in the safety cell by
27 COUNTY Deputy Lockwood at approximately 10:05 a.m. COUNTY Defendant DIAZ did not
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1 conduct the next check until 12:32 p.m., over two and a half hours later. Defendant DIAZ waited
2 over another hour to conduct his next check at 1:44 p.m. COUNTY DOE Defendants failed to
3 conduct any safety cell checks until 5:25 p.m., nearly four hours later. No COUNTY deputies
4 conducted any further safety cell checks on MR. ADENA for the remainder of the day.

5 52. On September 17, 2019, at approximately 4:20 p.m., WELLPATH Defendant
6 LEWIS conducted a mental health sick call on MR. ADENA. Defendant LEWIS noted that MR.
7 ADENA continued to report that his head injuries were caused by him falling out of the top bunk
8 despite Defendants' charted disbelief of this story, including since MR. ADENA always slept on the
9 bottom bunk, and despite Defendant DELLWO reporting that MR. ADENA's injuries were
10 consistent with self-injury or intentional injury by others. Defendant LEWIS further noted that MR.
11 ADENA was calm and polite, but had a blank stare and flat affect, and that he lacked insight and
12 good judgment. Defendant LEWIS considered MR. ADENA a "high risk for self-harm," yet failed
13 to create a treatment plan for him or request the required continuous observation of him, in
14 deliberate indifference to his serious medical and mental health needs.

15 53. On September 17, 2019, COUNTY Defendant JURKIEWICZ and several other
16 COUNTY DOE Defendants continued to allow hours to go by in between their safety cell checks
17 on MR. ADENA, rather than keep him on continuous observation as required by national standards
18 and WELLPATH's policy, or at least conduct two intermittent checks every half hour per the
19 COUNTY's safety cell policy. Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations requires the checks to
20 include direct visual observation and to be documented. Defendants simply reported that MR.
21 ADENA was offered water during their checks, without any documentation of MR. ADENA's
22 condition.

23 54. On September 18, 2019, COUNTY Defendant HURTE and several other COUNTY
24 DOE Defendants also failed to conduct timely safety checks on MR. ADENA, again allowing
25 several hours in between the checks. Defendants knew that MR. ADENA was suspected of being
26 actively engaged in self-harm. In addition, it is well known in corrections and correctional
27 healthcare that an inmate who is being abused by other inmates or corrections officers will
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1 commonly fail to report that abuse. Yet, Defendants persistently failed to provide MR. ADENA
2 with the required observation to keep him safe.

3 55. WELLPATH Defendant LEWIS conducted another mental health sick call on MR.
4 ADENA on September 18, 2019. Defendant LEWIS wrote that MR. ADENA, “Continues to report
5 he fell off top bunk, although he is housed alone and has always been observed sleeping on the
6 bottom bunk.” When Defendant LEWIS asked MR. ADENA about his behavior, he replied, “just
7 having a hard time.” Defendant LEWIS noted that MR. ADENA remained a high risk for self-harm
8 and that he would continue on suicide watch in the safety cell. Again, Defendant LEWIS failed to
9 create a treatment plan for MR. ADENA.

10 56. On September 18, 2019, MR. ADENA’s criminal case was called and a doubt arose
11 as to his competence. On information and belief, the criminal proceedings against MR. ADENA
12 were suspended and the case was referred by the Shasta County Superior Court for a Penal Code §
13 1368 psychological Evaluation Report to be completed. The matter was continued to October 23,
14 2019, for receipt of the Penal Code §1368 Evaluation Report. Plaintiffs CIRCE and RICHARD
15 ADENA attended this hearing and noticed the back of JOHN ADENA’s head actively bleeding, on
16 information and belief, from the injuries he suffered at the hands of SHASTA COUNTY deputies.

17 57. On September 19, 2019, WELLPATH psychiatrist, Dr. Stancil Johnson, wrote a
18 supplemental report following his telepsychiatry appointment with MR. ADENA on September 16,
19 2019, noting inconsistencies in his original report about how MR. ADENA injured himself,
20 observing that MR. ADENA may have been “ [BLANK] ” or engaged in self-injurious
21 behaviors. Plaintiffs believe and thereon allege that Dr. Johnson was noting MR. ADENA may
22 have been beaten. Dr. Johnson further indicated that MR. ADENA exhibited signs of paranoia and
23 ordered WELLPATH Defendant DELLWO to do a neurological check on MR. ADENA.

24 58. That same day, Defendant LEWIS conducted another mental health sick call and
25 again reported that MR. ADENA remained a “high risk for self-harm due to impulsivity, suspected
26 self-injurious behavior, and lack of insight.” Also on September 19, 2019, in a late chart entry not
27 entered until after MR. ADENA’s death on September 22, 2019, Defendant LEWIS reported that
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1 she spoke to MR. ADENA's father, Plaintiff RICHARD ADENA, who had inquired about getting
2 help with visiting his son. Defendant LEWIS wrote that she informed Plaintiff RICHARD ADENA
3 of JOHN ADENA's mental health status and placement in a safety cell.

4 59. Also on September 19, 2019, a WELLPATH nurse reported that COUNTY deputies
5 informed her that MR. ADENA was "purposely putting toothpaste in his mouth to make it look like
6 he was foaming at the mouth and scraping his knuckles on the ground." Yet, WELLPATH
7 Defendants failed to request a psychiatric evaluation of MR. ADENA, failed to transfer him for
8 outside emergency psychiatric evaluation, and failed to create a treatment plan for him, with
9 deliberate indifference to his serious medical and psychiatric needs.

10 60. Again, COUNTY Defendants HURTE, SCHRITTER, and several COUNTY DOE
11 Defendants failed to timely observe MR. ADENA in the safety cell throughout the day on
12 September 19, 2019. At one point, four hours passed before a COUNTY DOE Defendant
13 conducted a safety cell check on MR. ADENA, in violation of SHASTA COUNTY's safety cell
14 policy.

15 61. On September 20, 2019, WELLPATH Defendant DELLWO conducted a medical
16 sick call on MR. ADENA. Defendant DELLWO noted that MR. ADENA had a strange history of
17 no mental health issues his entire life until he lost his job a month before he got arrested. Defendant
18 DELLWO further noted that after discussions with mental health staff, it was agreed that MR.
19 ADENA would be assessed for organic causes of psychosis. Yet, Defendant DELLWO ordered no
20 tests or evaluations that would assess any organic causes of psychosis. In addition, Defendant
21 DELLWO was well aware of JOHN ADENA's long history of serious and unabated mental health
22 issues while he was in jail. Defendant DELLWO knew that patients whose medical or mental
23 health needs exceed the facility's capabilities to provide care for them, must be transferred to the
24 hospital. Defendant DELLWO failed to order the transfer of MR. ADENA to the hospital and
25 failed to create a treatment plan for him, all with deliberate indifference to MR. ADENA's serious
26 mental health needs.

1 62. WELLPATH Defendant JOHANSEN also assessed MR. ADENA on September 20,
2 2019. Defendant JOHANSEN expressed her doubts to MR. ADENA concerning the credibility of
3 MR. ADENA's account of how he obtained the lacerations to the back of his head and her concerns
4 for his safety. Defendant JOHANSEN noted that MR. ADENA appeared very anxious, that he
5 stared blankly, and had minimal responses. She determined that MR. ADENA was too unstable to
6 consider removal from the safety cell.

7 63. COUNTY Defendant SCHRITTER and several other COUNTY DOE Defendants
8 continued to leave MR. ADENA unchecked in his safety cell for hours at a time from September
9 19, 2019, through September 21, 2019, including over four hours on two occasions, even though
10 they knew or should have known that MR. ADENA was considered at high-risk for self-injurious
11 behaviors, it was suspected by WELLPATH staff that the injuries to the back of his head were
12 intentionally inflicted, and that he was exhibiting signs of psychosis.

13 64. On September 21, 2019 at approximately 11:30 a.m., WELLPATH Defendant
14 JOHANSEN evaluated MR. ADENA again during a mental health sick call and suddenly
15 discontinued his suicide watch, reporting that MR. ADENA has been cooperative with custody and
16 jail nurses, even though Defendant JOHANSEN suspected that MR. ADENA's injuries were self-
17 inflicted, knew or should have known that he was supposed to be evaluated for organic causes of
18 psychosis, knew he was medication non-compliant, and the day before she deemed MR. ADENA
19 "too unstable" to be released from the safety cell. Defendant JOHANSEN discharged MR.
20 ADENA from the safety cell with no request for increased observation of him and no treatment plan
21 whatsoever. On information and belief, inmates suffering from severe mental illnesses are not
22 adequately monitored in the segregated housing unit and do not receive the level of psychiatric care
23 needed to treat their mental illness. With full knowledge that MR. ADENA suffered from untreated
24 psychosis, and was believed to have recently engaged in self-injurious behavior while housed in his
25 segregated cell just days prior, Defendant JOHANSEN chose to discharge MR. ADENA from the
26 safety cell without any measures taken for continuity of care, without any psychiatric or mental
27 health evaluation or treatment plan, all with deliberate indifference to his serious mental health
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1 needs. In addition, Defendant JOHANSEN discharged MR. ADENA to be housed alone in a
2 segregated cell, essentially in solitary confinement. It has been well known in correctional
3 healthcare for decades that housing a severely mentally ill inmate alone in segregation or solitary
4 confinement endangers the patient's mental health and greatly increases the risk of further
5 morbidity and suicide. It is generally accepted in correctional health care throughout the United
6 States that inmates at risk of suicide who are housed alone in segregated cells must be under
7 constant observation.

8 65. On Defendant JOHANSEN's instruction, MR. ADENA was discharged from the
9 safety cell and returned to segregated cell 3C16 without any heightened monitoring. On
10 information and belief, the COUNTY permits deputies to record "welfare checks" on inmates by
11 utilizing a "PIPE" device that they can swipe against a sensor on the wall outside the cell without
12 ever observing the inmate. The COUNTY does not require corrections officers to provide the direct
13 visual observation, and documentation of that observation, that California law requires. On
14 information and belief, deputies at Shasta County jail also openly utilize large white magnets to
15 cover windows outside of cell doors, further preventing inmates from being directly observed
16 during welfare checks and allowing unjustified uses of excessive force by deputies to go unnoticed.

17 66. Later that day, at 3:21 p.m., Defendant JOHANSEN observed MR. ADENA in cell
18 3C16 and reported that MR. ADENA told her: "I am sick, I need to see medical. I am vomiting." It
19 is well known in the medical profession that vomiting after a head injury, like MR. ADENA
20 suffered when he claimed to have fallen off of the top bunk, is a sign of traumatic brain injury
21 requiring immediate medical attention. Defendant JOHANSEN simply noted that she would advise
22 the nursing staff as to MR. ADENA's request, as he was "not likely to put in a sick slip."
23 However, there is no evidence that she actually informed any medical staff of this urgent need for
24 care. MR. ADENA never received the immediate medical attention he needed and was not
25 observed nor assessed at all in response to his request.

26 67. The following day, on September 22, 2019, at approximately 5:00 a.m., WELPATH
27 nurse, Alexandra Jones-Morast, L.V.N., and COUNTY Defendants J. GRADY ("GRADY"),
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1 NATHANIAL NEVES “(NEVES””, and HECTOR CORTEZ (“CORTEZ”) were conducting
2 medication rounds when they observed MR. ADENA lying on his left side next to the toilet in his
3 segregated cell flinging his right arm back and forth and moaning with a purple or brown foam like
4 substance coming out of his mouth. Ms. Jones-Morast spoke to MR. ADENA, but he was unable to
5 respond. When it was apparent that MR. ADENA was in obvious distress and suffering from some
6 unknown medical condition, Ms. Jones-Morast directed COUNTY Defendants GRADY, NEVES,
7 and CORTEZ to take MR. ADENA to the medical unit to be assessed for a safety cell placement
8 without regard for the possibility that moving him would exacerbate his injuries.

9 68. Defendants GRADY, NEVES, and CORTEZ then entered the cell and worked in
10 concert to use excessive force against MR. ADENA. Defendant NEVES unnecessarily used his full
11 body weight to put MR. ADENA’s legs into a figure four compliance hold, even though MR.
12 ADENA was not actively resisting the deputies. Defendant NEVES reported hearing a gurgling
13 sound while they were attempting to handcuff MR. ADENA while he was prone, which signified
14 for him that MR. ADENA was having a medical emergency. Without any precautionary measures,
15 and while MR. ADENA was clearly suffering from a serious medical condition, Defendants
16 GRADY, NEVES and CORTEZ dragged MR. ADENA out of the cell by his arms when
17 Defendants determined that he could not walk on his own. Defendants callously dragged MR.
18 ADENA, face down by his handcuffed arms, throughout level 3C, onto the elevator, and down to
19 the medical unit on the first level.

20 69. En route to the medical unit, jail videos captured COUNTY Defendants GRADY,
21 NEVES, and CORTEZ dragging MR. ADENA throughout the jail. On information and belief,
22 COUNTY Defendants GRADY, NEVES, and CORTEZ also carelessly bumped MR. ADENA’s
23 head on a table in the 3C pod as they transported him to the medical unit. Droplets of blood were
24 later found on the dayroom table in the 3C pod by COUNTY detectives investigating MR.
25 ADENA’s death.

26 70. Video footage of the elevator ride to the medical unit shows Defendant NEVES
27 needlessly place MR. ADENA’s legs into a painful figure four compliance hold using his full body
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1 weight while MR. ADENA was clearly under medical distress, prone, handcuffed, not resisting, and
2 unable to pose any threat. A full view of MR. ADENA in the elevator was obstructed due to
3 Defendants GRADY's and CORTEZ's tactical positioning to block the camera.

4 71. When Defendants GRADY, NEVES, and CORTEZ arrived in the medical unit they
5 noticed that Mr. ADENA, who had been face down on the elevator ride down from the level 3, had
6 turned purple. COUNTY deputies immediately began performing life-saving measures. At this
7 time, Ms. Jones-Morast noticed dark colored blood around MR. ADENA's mouth that she believed
8 looked to be two to three days old. MR. ADENA's head wounds also bled and there was blood on
9 the floor. A paramedic and Emergency Medical Technician arrived but were unable to revive MR.
10 ADENA. MR. ADENA was pronounced deceased at 5:45 a.m.

11 72. In a supplemental interview conducted by COUNTY detectives nearly three months
12 after MR. ADENA's death, Defendant NEVES recounted that MR. ADENA was behaving
13 strangely immediately after he was discharged from the safety cell the day before. Defendant
14 NEVES described that throughout his hourly checks, MR. ADENA was moaning and rubbing his
15 hands on the concrete cell floor and that he was lying in various "unnatural positions" in his cell.
16 Defendant NEVES never summoned emergency medical care throughout his hourly checks even
17 though he thought MR. ADENA was having a medical emergency, failed to log any of these
18 observations of MR. ADENA, and failed to initially disclose this information to the COUNTY
19 detectives during his first interview a couple of hours after MR. ADENA's death.

20 73. In addition, Defendant GRADY informed investigators that "approximately a week
21 ago, Adena fought with deputies," Defendants wrote no reports about this "fight" which occurred
22 around the time of MR. ADENA's suffering multiple suspicious bleeding lacerations on the back of
23 his head on September 16, 2019.

24 74. JOHN ADENA's death in custody is one of 25 reported by the Shasta County
25 Jail since 2006, as reported in a June 24, 2020, article¹ in Redding's Record Searchlight entitled,

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27 ¹ [https://www.redding.com/in-depth/news/local/2020/06/24/shasta-county-jail-california-inmate-](https://www.redding.com/in-depth/news/local/2020/06/24/shasta-county-jail-california-inmate-deaths-mental-health-services/5281201002/)
28 [deaths-mental-health-services/5281201002/](https://www.redding.com/in-depth/news/local/2020/06/24/shasta-county-jail-california-inmate-deaths-mental-health-services/5281201002/)

1 “Dying Inside: Why Are More Deaths Happening in Shasta County Jail Custody?” JOHN
2 ADENA’s death was one of three at the Shasta County Jail in the month of September 2019 alone.
3 Shasta County ranks second in total deaths among California’s 10 county jail systems with 10,000
4 to 18,000 annual bookings, based on State data from 2005-2018. Captain Gene Randall, who
5 currently runs the jail, acknowledged that some deaths in custody are ultimately preventable,
6 responding, “There’s no question about it.”

7 75. WELLPATH holds itself and its officers, directors, and managing agents out as
8 experts in the field of correctional healthcare. WELLPATH is the largest for-profit correctional
9 healthcare provider in the United States, with contracts covering in excess of 550 jails, prisons, and
10 behavioral health facilities in 36 states.

11 76. Yet, the California Forensic Medical Group, Inc. (“CFMG”), which was part of the
12 Correctional Medical Group Companies that merged with Correct Care Solutions in 2019 to
13 form WELLPATH and ran all of the companies’ services in the State of California, has been
14 criticized for its persistent inadequate health care provided to inmates throughout the State of
15 California. A January 17, 2015, article² in the *Sacramento Bee* entitled, “California for-Profit
16 Company Faces Allegations of Inadequate Inmate Care,” reported that CFMG’s population-adjusted
17 rate of suicide or drug overdose deaths in custody is 50% higher than non-CFMG counties. In a 10-
18 year period ending in May 2014, 92 people died of suicide or a drug overdose while in the custody
19 of a jail served by CFMG.

20 77. A July 13, 2020, article³ in the *Atlantic* entitled, “Private Equity’s Grip on Jail
21 Health Care” reported that correctional care is good business, especially as more counties have
22 moved to privatize. WELLPATH currently serves about 10 percent of the counties in the nation.
23 WELLPATH is expected to enjoy at least \$1.5 billion in revenue every year. WELLPATH and its
24 predecessor companies’ contracts with the COUNTY require WELLPATH to pay for all outside or

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26 ² (<https://www.sacbee.com/news/investigations/the-public-eye/article7249637.html>)

27 ³ <file:///C:/Users/resaf/Downloads/Private%20Equity's%20Grip%20on%20Jail%20Health%20Care%20-%20The%20Atlantic.pdf>

1 hospital care for inmates up to \$25,000, which creates a disincentive for WELLPATH and its
2 employees to send patients off-site for emergency care.

3 78. All COUNTY and WELLPATH employed Defendants had actual knowledge that
4 MR. ADENA was suffering from serious emergency medical/psychiatric needs, and all Defendants
5 denied MR. ADENA necessary medical and/or psychiatric care, including necessary emergency
6 care. Defendants deliberately disregarded MR. ADENA's safety and medical/psychiatric needs in
7 their housing placement, assessment, custody, and care decisions. On information and belief, due to
8 such deliberate indifference, MR. ADENA's medical/psychiatric condition deteriorated.

9 79. Defendants SCHITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY,
10 NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, and the remaining DOE DEFENDANTS
11 knew and/or must have known that MR. ADENA had serious medical and psychiatric needs
12 requiring emergency treatment, care, and hospitalization, and that with deliberate indifference to
13 such needs, these Defendants, and/or remaining DOES caused MR. ADENA to be deprived of such
14 necessary, life-saving medical and psychiatric care.

15 80. Defendants SHERIFF-CORONER TOM BOSENKO and Jail Commander
16 CAPTAIN DAVE KENT, were each briefed and informed throughout MR. ADENA's jail
17 incarceration, and had personal knowledge of, his intake and booking documentation, all of his
18 medical and psychiatric events, all uses of force on him, all disturbances involving him, all safety
19 cell placements, and all disciplinary measures taken against him. Defendants BOSENKO and
20 KENT knew and/or must have known that MR. ADENA had serious medical and psychiatric needs
21 requiring emergency treatment, care, and hospitalization, and that with deliberate indifference to
22 such needs, they caused MR. ADENA to be deprived of such necessary, life-saving medical and
23 psychiatric care. Further, Defendants BOSENKO and KENT had actual knowledge of all jail
24 customs and practices described herein, including but not limited to the use of magnets over cell
25 windows to cover-up uses of force and to obscure observation of and by inmates, routine
26 unauthorized and illegal uses of excessive force by deputies that went unreported, and the
27 systematic failure to require written documentation of visual observations and inmate-patients'
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1 condition during PIPE cell checks, all as a matter of routine cover-up and code of silence. Further,
2 Defendants BOSENKO and KENT were ultimately responsible for all customs, practices, policies,
3 procedures, training, supervision, and investigation at the jail, with direct oversight, command, and
4 personal knowledge in all of those areas. Defendants BOSENKO and KENT were personally aware
5 of MR. ADENA and his problems at their jail throughout his incarceration, and of their staffs'
6 deliberate indifference to MR. ADENA's rights and safety throughout his incarceration.

7 81. According to the official Shasta County autopsy report, MR. ADENA's cause of
8 death was: carotid artery dissection of unclear etiology, with hyponatremia as a significant
9 condition. The manner of death was considered undetermined.

10 82. In addition to the foregoing evidence of the use of unjustified, injurious force on
11 JOHN ADENA, COUNTY Defendants and possibly remaining DOE Defendants, also caused
12 severe injuries to JOHN ADENA that led to his death as noted in the autopsy performed by the
13 COUNTY's forensic pathologist, Deirde Amaro, M.D., on or about September 26, 2019, all
14 evidence of the use of a very high degree of unnecessary force on JOHN ADENA. The autopsy
15 report included a list of injuries present on MR. ADENA's body during the autopsy:

16 HEAD/NECK

- 17 • A 2.4 x 2 cm red-brown abrasion is on the lower right face.
 - 18 • A 4 x 4 cm reverse "L"-shaped pink-brown to red-pink abrasion is on the right
19 forehead.
 - 20 • A 3 x 2 cm orange-brown abrasion/contusion is on the right malar prominence.
21 Posteriorly, is a 1.4 x 1.8 cm orange-pink abrasion/contusion.
 - 22 • A 3 x 1.8 cm pink-purple contusion and red-brown abrasion is on the right temple,
23 and extended scalp reflection reveals an underlying partial scalp thickness
24 hemorrhage.
 - 25 • A 3 x 1.5 cm faint pink-brown abrasion/contusion is on the lower left forehead.
 - 26 • A 2 x 2 cm cluster of punctate pink-brown abrasion/contusions is on the right
27 forehead.
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- A 2 x 1 cm pink-brown abrasion/contusion is on the upper left forehead, near the hairline.
- A 5 x 2.5 cm orange-brown to red-brown abrasion extends from the left malar prominence to the left temple, partially surrounding the left eye.
- At the posterior occipital scalp, under the hair, are several healing lacerations:
 - a) 4.5 x 0.7 cm, horizontally oriented, partially healed full thickness, with flanking red-brown abrasion (x 4 surgical staples)
 - b) 3 x 1 cm, horizontally oriented, partially healed, with flanking red-brown abrasion (x 3 surgical staples)
 - c) 2.3 x 0.8 cm, vertically oriented, partially healed with granulation tissue
 - d) 3 x 1 cm, obliquely oriented, partial thickness, partially healed
 - e) 1.5 cm, obliquely oriented, partial thickness, partially healed, with 3 x 2 x 0.4 cm subjacent scalp hematoma
- Numerous oral contusions and lacerations were also identified including: bilateral rectilinear lacerations and contusions extending anteriorly along the buccal mucosa (suggestive of dental injuries); faint petechiae hemorrhages adjacent to the maxillary frenulum; punctate to ovoid red-pink to purple-blue contusions at the upper left mucosae and at the lower left gingiva.
- Punctate contusions involve the bilateral tongue and within the tongue tip.
- A 5 x 1 cm purple-red contusion courses along the underside of the chin, following the right jawline.
- A patch of hemorrhage involves the posterior hypopharynx (may be attributable to intubations attempts).

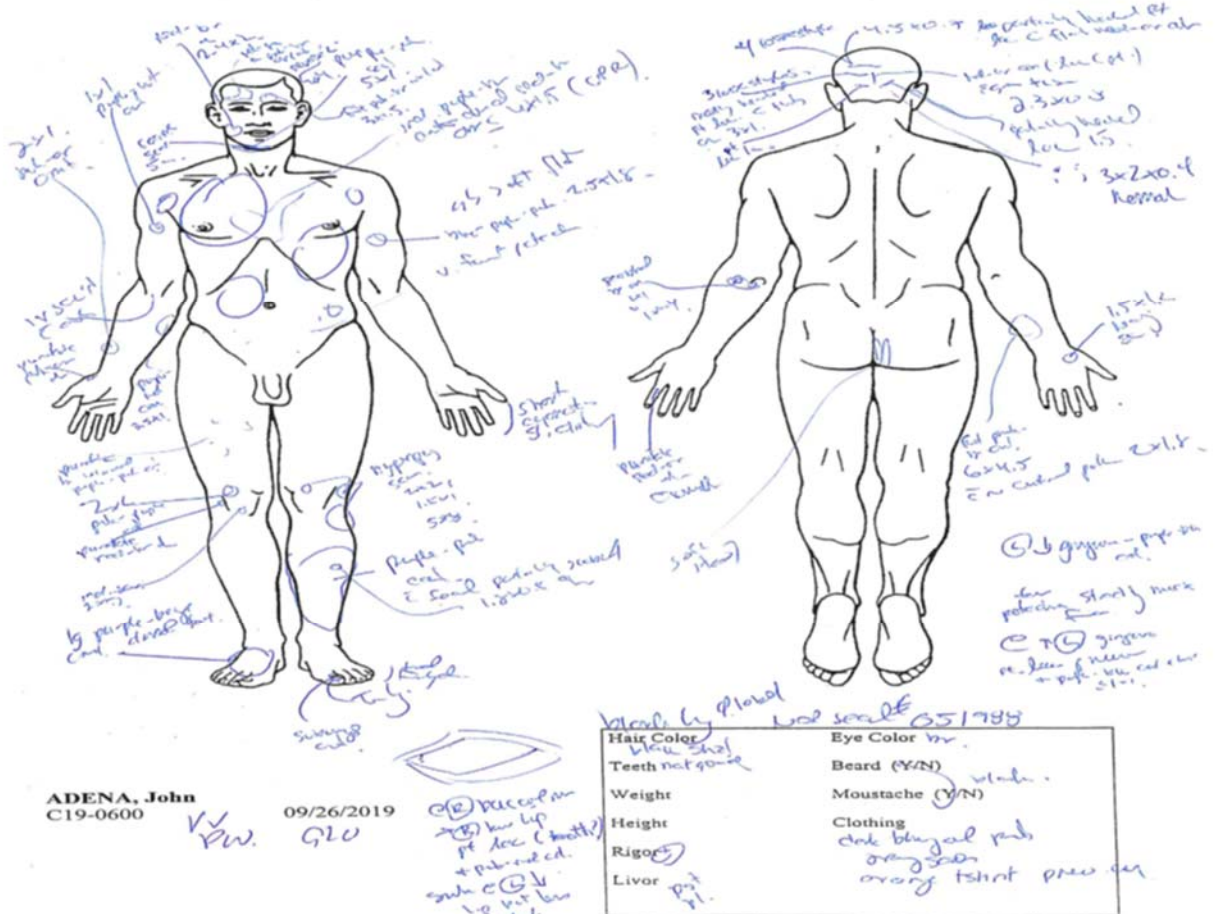
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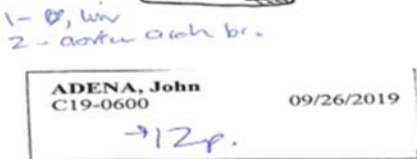
- Irregular, indistinct red-brown abrasions and purple-brown contusions up to 4 x 1.5 cm are on the center chest (may be attributable to CPR).
- Multiple, bilateral anterolateral hemorrhagic rib fractures with overlying soft tissue hemorrhage are present (may be attributable to CPR).
- Approximately 150 mL of blood is recovered from each chest cavity (may be attributable to CPR).
- Anterior mediastinal hemorrhage is present (some of which may be attributable to CPR).
- A 7 x 2 cm dried, leathery, orange-yellow abrasion is on the lateral left chest, near the inferior costal margin.

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- 6 x 4.5 cm faint pink-brown contusion with roughly central 2 x 1.8 cm pallor is on the posteromedial right forearm.
- A punctate pink-orange abrasion is on the dorsal right 5th finger, overlying the proximal interphalangeal joint.
- A 1 x 1 cm purple- blue contusion is on the anterior right upper arm.
- A 3.5 x 1 cm purple-red contusion is on the proximal anteromedial right forearm.
- A 2 x 1 cm pink-orange contusion is on the distal anterolateral right forearm.
- A punctate pink-orange abrasion is on the ventral right hand, near the base of the thumb.
- A 4.5 x 2 cm red-pink contusion is on the posteromedial right elbow with subjacent patch of soft tissue hemorrhage.
- A 2.5 x 1.8 cm blue-purple-pink contusion is on the anterior left upper arm.
- Scabbed brown abrasions (1 x 1cm, 1 x 0.4 cm) are on the posterior left elbow.
- A punctate red-orange abrasion is on the dorsal left index finger, overlying the proximal interphalangeal joint.

- A 2 x 2 cm pink-purple contusion is on the anterior right knee. Inferiorly is a punctate red-brown abrasion.
- Large purple-beige contusion nearly covers the dorsal right foot.
- Broad purple-pink contusion with, superiorly, focal partially scabbed 1.8 x 0.5 cm abrasion, nearly covers the anterior left lower leg with diffuse subjacent soft tissue hemorrhage.
- Purple-brown to purple-gray contusion covers the medial left ankle to medial left foot.
- Subungual hemorrhage involves the left big toe.





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1 possibly one or more WELLPATH and DOE Defendants severely brutalized, beat, stomped,
2 choked, and smothered JOHN ADENA, directly causing his death. MR. ADENA suffered
3 extensive hemorrhage in his neck and a common carotid artery dissection, cause by blunt force
4 trauma; extensive blunt force trauma to his head, which is deadly force; extensive blunt force
5 trauma on his legs, ankles, and feet, including injuries consistent with severe stomping on his ankles
6 and feet; and smothering to the point that his teeth were imprinted into and tore into the inside of his
7 lips.

8 85. JOHN ADENA's death also was proximately caused by Defendant COUNTY's
9 failure to reasonably train and supervise jail deputies who were required to observe, monitor, and
10 protect MR. ADENA. These substantial failures reflect Defendant COUNTY's policies implicitly
11 or directly ratifying and/or authorizing the routine use of excessive force and deliberate indifference
12 to serious medical needs and the failure to reasonably train, instruct, monitor, supervise, investigate,
13 and discipline deputies employed by Defendants COUNTY and SHERIFF-CORONER TOM
14 BOSENKO ("BOSENKO") in the use of force and deliberate indifference to inmates' serious
15 medical needs.

16 86. Decedent's death also was proximately caused by Defendant WELLPATH's failure
17 to reasonably staff, train, supervise, and equip their medical and mental healthcare staff in the
18 proper and reasonable screening, assessment, and care of mentally ill or emotionally disturbed
19 inmates or inmates needing emergency medical treatment; failure to implement and enforce
20 generally accepted, lawful policies and procedures at the jail; and deliberate indifference to the
21 serious medical/psychiatric needs of inmates such as JOHN ADENA. These substantial failures
22 reflect Defendant WELLPATH's policies implicitly ratifying and/or authorizing the deliberate
23 indifference to serious medical needs by their medical and mental healthcare staff and the failure to
24 reasonably train, instruct, monitor, supervise, investigate, and discipline medical and mental
25 healthcare staff employed by Defendants.

26 87. At all material times, and alternatively, the actions and omissions of each Defendant
27 were intentional, wanton, and/or willful, conscience-shocking, reckless, malicious, deliberately
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1 indifferent to Decedent's and Plaintiffs' rights, done with actual malice, grossly negligent,
2 negligent, and objectively unreasonable.

3 88. As a direct and proximate result of each Defendant's acts and/or omissions as set
4 forth above, to the extent permitted and pled by the various legal claims set forth below, Plaintiffs
5 sustained the following injuries and damages, past and future, among others:

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- 7 a. Wrongful death of JOHN ADENA, pursuant to Cal. Code of Civ. Proc. § 377.60
8 et. seq.;
 - 9 b. Loss of support and familial relationships, including loss of love, companionship,
10 comfort, affection, society, services, solace, and moral support, pursuant to Cal.
11 Code of Civ. Proc. § 377.60 et. seq.;
 - 12 c. Plaintiffs' emotional distress [individual familial association claims];
 - 13 d. JOHN ADENA's hospital and medical expenses, pursuant to Cal. Code of Civ.
14 Proc. § 377.20 et. seq.;
 - 15 e. JOHN ADENA's coroner's fees, funeral and burial expenses, pursuant to Cal.
16 Code of Civ. Proc. § 377.20 et. seq.;
 - 17 f. Violation of JOHN ADENA's constitutional rights, pursuant to Cal. Code of Civ.
18 Proc. § 377.20 et. seq. and federal civil rights law;
 - 19 g. JOHN ADENA's loss of life, pursuant to federal civil rights law;
 - 20 h. JOHN ADENA's conscious pain, suffering, and disfigurement, pursuant to
21 federal civil rights law;
 - 22 i. All damages and penalties recoverable under 42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1988, and as
23 otherwise allowed under California and United States statutes, codes, and
24 common law.

25 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**
26 **(42 U.S.C. § 1983)**
27 **AGAINST DEFENDANTS SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ,**
28 **GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO,**
AND REMAINING DOES

29 89. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth
30 here.

1 90. By the actions and omissions described above, Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE,
2 DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN,
3 DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES violated 42 U.S.C. § 1983, depriving Decedent JOHN
4 ADENA, through Plaintiffs herein, of the following clearly established and well-settled
5 constitutional rights protected by the First, Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States
6 Constitution:

- 7 a. Decedent's right to be free from excessive and unreasonable force and
8 restraint in the course of seizure and as a pretrial detainee, as secured by the
9 Fourth and/or Fourteenth Amendments; and
10 b. Decedent's right to be free from deliberate indifference to JOHN ADENA's
11 safety and serious medical needs while in custody as a pretrial detainee as
12 secured by the Fourth and/or Fourteenth Amendments.
13 c. Decedent's and Plaintiffs' right to familial association as secured by the First
14 and/or Fourteenth Amendments.

15 91. Defendants subjected Decedent to their wrongful conduct, depriving Decedent of
16 rights described herein, knowingly, maliciously, and with conscious and reckless disregard for
17 whether the rights and safety of Decedent and others would be violated by their acts and/or
18 omissions.

19 92. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' acts and/or omissions as set forth
20 above, Decedent, through Plaintiffs herein, sustained injuries and damages as set forth above at ¶
21 88.

22 93. The conduct of Defendants entitles Plaintiffs to punitive damages and penalties
23 allowable under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and as provided by law. Plaintiffs do not seek punitive damages
24 against Defendant SHASTA COUNTY.

25 94. Plaintiffs are also entitled to reasonable costs and attorneys' fees under 42 U.S.C. §
26 1988, and other applicable United States and California codes and laws.
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SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION
(*Monell* - 42 U.S.C. § 1983)
AGAINST DEFENDANTS SHASTA COUNTY and WELLPATH

95. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth here.

96. The unconstitutional actions and/or omissions of Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES, as well as other employees or officers employed by or acting on behalf of the Defendants COUNTY and/or WELLPATH, on information and belief, were pursuant to the following customs, policies, practices, and/or procedures of Defendants COUNTY and/or WELLPATH, stated in the alternative, which were directed, encouraged, allowed, and/or ratified by policymaking officers for Defendant COUNTY and its Sheriff's Office and/or Defendant WELLPATH, including SHERIFF-CORONER BOSENKO and JAIL COMMANDER KENT:

- a. To deny pretrial detainees and other inmates access to timely, appropriate, competent, and necessary care for serious medical and psychiatric needs;
- b. To allow and encourage inadequate and incompetent medical and mental health care for jail inmates and arrestees;
- c. To house seriously mentally ill patients at high risk of suicide in solitary confinement in segregated cells, thereby increasing their risk of suicide;
- d. To provide no treatment plan for severely mentally ill inmate-patients;
- e. To fail to provide necessary and legally required documented observation of inmates, including inmates at risk of suicide or self-harm and/or inmates at risk of harm by others;
- f. To fail to institute, require, and enforce proper and adequate training, supervision, policies, and procedures concerning handling mentally ill and/or emotionally disturbed persons or persons in medical crisis, or medical emergencies;
- g. To fail to use appropriate and generally accepted law enforcement procedures for handling mentally ill and/or emotionally disturbed persons or persons in medical crisis;

- 1 h. To tolerate the use of routine, and often unreported, excessive and
- 2 unnecessary force against inmates;
- 3 i. To cover up violations of constitutional rights by any or all of the following:
- 4 i. By failing to properly investigate and/or evaluate incidents of
- 5 violations of rights, including by unconstitutional medical and
- 6 psychiatric care at the jail;
- 7 ii. By ignoring and/or failing to properly and adequately investigate
- 8 and/or investigate and discipline unconstitutional or unlawful
- 9 conduct by jail staff and WELLPATH employees; and
- 10 iii. By allowing, tolerating, and/or encouraging jail and WELLPATH
- 11 staff to: cover-up abuse with magnets on cell windows; fail to file
- 12 complete and accurate reports; file false reports; make false
- 13 statements; persistently refuse to provide victims' next of kin with
- 14 any information about the victim's death; ignore repeated lawful
- 15 requests for information; and/or obstruct or interfere with
- 16 investigations of unconstitutional or unlawful conduct by
- 17 withholding and/or concealing material information;
- 18 j. To allow, tolerate, and/or encourage a "code of silence" among law
- 19 enforcement officers, custodial officers, sheriff's office personnel, and
- 20 WELLPATH staff at the jail whereby an officer or member of the sheriff's
- 21 office, or WELLPATH staff does not provide adverse information against a
- 22 fellow officer, or member of the SCSO, or WELLPATH staff;
- 23 k. To fail to have and enforce necessary, appropriate, and lawful policies,
- 24 procedures, and training programs to prevent or correct the unconstitutional
- 25 conduct, customs, and procedures described in this Complaint and in
- 26 subparagraphs (a) through (j) above, with deliberate indifference to the rights
- 27 and safety of Decedent, Plaintiffs and the public, and in the face of an
- 28 obvious need for such policies, procedures, and training programs.

97. Defendants COUNTY and WELLPATH, through their employees and agents, and through their policy-making supervisors, BOSENKO, Captain DAVE KENT ("KENT") and remaining DOES, failed to properly hire, train, instruct, monitor, supervise, evaluate, investigate, and discipline Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, DOES 1-20, and other COUNTY, and WELLPATH personnel, with deliberate indifference to Plaintiffs', Decedent's, and others' constitutional rights, which were thereby violated as described above.

98. The unconstitutional actions and/or omissions of Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, REMAINING DOES, and other Sheriff's Office personnel, as described above, were approved, tolerated, and/or ratified by policymaking officers for the COUNTY and its Sheriff's Office, including Defendants BOSENKO and KENT and by WELLPATH and WELLPATH medical director. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that the details of this incident have been revealed to the authorized policymakers within the COUNTY, the Shasta County Sheriff's Office, and WELLPATH, and that such policymakers have direct knowledge of the fact that the death of JOHN ADENA was the result of severe uses of excessive force – much of it unreported but proven by physical evidence – and deliberate indifference to his serious medical needs. Notwithstanding this knowledge, the authorized policymakers within the COUNTY including BOSENKO and KENT, its Sheriff's Office, and WELLPATH have approved of the conduct and decisions of Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES in this matter, and have made a deliberate choice to endorse such conduct and decisions, and the basis for them, that resulted in the death of JOHN ADENA. By so doing, the authorized policymakers within the COUNTY and its Sheriff's Office, and WELLPATH have shown affirmative agreement with the individual Defendants' actions and have ratified the unconstitutional acts of the individual Defendants. Furthermore, Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that DEFENDANTS BOSENKO, KENT and other policy-making officers for the COUNTY and WELLPATH were and are aware of a pattern of misconduct and injury caused by COUNTY law enforcement officers and WELLPATH employees similar to the conduct of Defendants described herein, but failed to discipline culpable law enforcement officers and employees and failed to institute new procedures and policy within the COUNTY and WELLPATH.

1 99. The aforementioned customs, policies, practices, and procedures; the failures to
2 properly and adequately hire, train, instruct, monitor, supervise, evaluate, investigate, and
3 discipline; and the unconstitutional orders, approvals, ratification, and toleration of wrongful
4 conduct of Defendants COUNTY and WELLPATH were a moving force and/or a proximate cause
5 of the deprivations of Decedent's clearly established and well-settled constitutional rights in
6 violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983, as more fully set forth above at ¶ 90.

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8 100. Defendants subjected Decedent to their wrongful conduct, depriving Decedent of
9 rights described herein, knowingly, maliciously, and with conscious and deliberate indifference for
10 whether the rights and safety of Decedent, Plaintiffs and others would be violated by their acts
11 and/or omissions.

12 101. As a direct and proximate result of the unconstitutional actions, omissions, customs,
13 policies, practices, and procedures of Defendants COUNTY and WELLPATH, as described above,
14 Decedent and Plaintiffs suffered serious injuries and death, Plaintiffs are entitled to damages,
15 penalties, costs, and attorneys' fees against Defendants COUNTY and WELLPATH as set forth
16 above in ¶¶ 91-94, including punitive damages against Defendant WELLPATH.

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18 **THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**
19 **(Supervisory Liability - 42 U.S.C. § 1983)**
20 **AGAINST DEFENDANT BOSENKO, KENT, AND REMAINING DOES**

21 102. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth
22 here.

23 103. At all material times, Defendant BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES, had
24 the duty and responsibility to constitutionally hire, train, instruct, monitor, supervise, evaluate,
25 investigate, staff, and discipline the other Defendants employed by their respective agencies in this
26 matter, as well as all employees and agents of the Shasta County Sheriff's Office and WELLPATH.

1 104. Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES failed to properly hire,
2 train, instruct, monitor, supervise, evaluate, investigate, and discipline the respective employees of
3 their agencies, including Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ,
4 GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES, and
5 other COUNTY, Sheriff's Office, and WELLPATH personnel, with deliberate indifference to
6 Plaintiffs', Decedent's, and others' constitutional rights, which were thereby violated as described
7 above.
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9 105. As supervisors, Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES, each
10 permitted and failed to prevent the unconstitutional acts of other Defendants and individuals under
11 their supervision and control, and failed to properly supervise such individuals, with deliberate
12 indifference to the rights and serious medical needs of MR. ADENA. Each of these supervising
13 Defendants either directed his or her subordinates in conduct that violated Decedent's rights, OR set
14 in motion a series of acts and omissions by his or her subordinates that the supervisor knew or
15 reasonably should have known would deprive Decedent of rights, OR knew his or her subordinates
16 were engaging in acts likely to deprive Decedent of rights and failed to act to prevent his or her
17 subordinate from engaging in such conduct, OR disregarded the consequence of a known or obvious
18 training deficiency that he or she must have known would cause subordinates to violate Decedent's
19 rights, and in fact did cause the violation of Decedent's rights. (See, Ninth Circuit Model Civil Jury
20 Instruction 9.4). Furthermore, each of these supervising Defendants is liable in their failures to
21 intervene in their subordinates' apparent violations of Decedents' rights.
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23 106. The unconstitutional customs, policies, practices, and/or procedures of Defendants
24 COUNTY and WELLPATH, stated herein, were directed, encouraged, allowed, and/or ratified by
25 policymaking officers for Defendant COUNTY and its Sheriff's Office, and Defendant
26 WELLPATH, including Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES, respectively,
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1 with deliberate indifference to Plaintiffs', Decedent's, and others' constitutional rights, which were
2 thereby violated as described above.

3 107. The unconstitutional actions and/or omissions of Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE,
4 DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN,
5 DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES, and other Sheriff's Office, and WELLPATH personnel, as
6 described above, were approved, tolerated, and/or ratified by policymaking officers for the
7 COUNTY and its Sheriff's Office including Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and by WELLPATH.
8 Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that the details of this incident have been
9 revealed to Defendants BOSENKO and KENT, and that such Defendant-policymakers have direct
10 knowledge of the fact that the death of JOHN ADENA was not justified or necessary, but
11 represented deliberate indifference to his rights, safety, and serious medical needs, as set forth in ¶¶
12 90 and 98 above. Notwithstanding this knowledge, on information and belief, Defendants
13 BOSENKO and KENT have approved and ratified the conduct and decisions of SCHRITTER,
14 HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN,
15 DELLWO, AND REMAINING DOES in this matter, and have made a deliberate choice to endorse
16 such conduct and decisions, and the basis for them, that resulted in the death of JOHN ADENA. By
17 so doing, Defendants BOSENKO and KENT have shown affirmative agreement with the individual
18 Defendants' actions and have ratified the unconstitutional acts of the individual Defendants.
19 Furthermore, Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon alleges, that Defendants
20 BOSENKO and KENT and other policy-making officers for the COUNTY and WELLPATH were
21 and are aware of a pattern of misconduct and injury, and a code of silence, caused by COUNTY law
22 enforcement officers and WELLPATH employees similar to the conduct of Defendants described
23 herein, but failed to discipline culpable law enforcement officers and employees and failed to
24 institute new procedures and policy within the COUNTY and WELLPATH.
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1 108. The aforementioned customs, policies, practices, and procedures; the failures to
2 properly and adequately hire, train, instruct, monitor, supervise, evaluate, investigate, and
3 discipline; and the unconstitutional orders, approvals, ratification, and toleration of wrongful
4 conduct of Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES were a moving force and/or a
5 proximate cause of the deprivations of Decedent's clearly established and well-settled constitutional
6 rights in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983, as more fully set forth above at ¶ 90.

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8 109. Defendants subjected Decedent to their wrongful conduct, depriving Decedent of
9 rights described herein, knowingly, maliciously, and with conscious and reckless disregard for
10 whether the rights and safety of Decedent, Plaintiffs and others would be violated by their acts
11 and/or omissions.

12 110. As a direct and proximate result of the unconstitutional actions, omissions, customs,
13 policies, practices, and procedures of Defendants BOSENKO, KENT, and REMAINING DOES as
14 described above, Plaintiffs sustained serious and permanent injuries and are entitled to damages,
15 penalties, costs, and attorneys' fees as set forth above in ¶¶ 91-94.

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17 **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**
18 **(Violation of Civil Code § 52.1) – Survival Claim**
19 **AGAINST DEFENDANTS SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ,**
20 **GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN, DELLWO, AND BOSENKO, KENT,**
21 **COUNTY, WELLPATH and REMAINING DOES**

22 111. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth
23 here.

24 112. Plaintiffs bring the claims in this cause of action either individually or as survival
25 claims permissible under California law, including Cal. Code of Civ. Proc. Section 377.20 et. seq.

26 113. By their acts, omissions, customs, and policies, DEFENDANTS SCHRITTER,
27 HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, LEWIS, JOHANSEN,
28 DELLWO, BOSENKO, KENT, COUNTY, WELLPATH and REMAINING DOES, each

Defendant acting in concert/conspiracy, as described above, while JOHN ADENA was in custody, and by threat, intimidation, and/or coercion, and with reckless disregard for his rights, interfered with, attempted to interfere with, and violated JOHN ADENA's rights under California Civil Code § 52.1 and under the United States Constitution and California Constitution as follows:

- a. Decedent's right to be free from excessive and unreasonable force and restraint in the course of seizure and as a pretrial detainee, as secured by the Fourth and/or Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution;
- b. Decedent's right to be free from objectively unreasonable treatment and deliberate indifference to his safety and serious medical needs while in custody as a pretrial detainee as secured by the Fourth and/or Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and by California Constitution, Article 1, §§ 7 and 13;
- c. Decedent's and Plaintiffs' right to familial association as secured by the First and/or Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.
- d. The right to enjoy and defend life and liberty; acquire, possess, and protect property; and pursue and obtain safety, happiness, and privacy, as secured by the California Constitution, Article 1, § 1;
- e. The right to protection from bodily restraint, harm, or personal insult, as secured by California Civil Code § 43; and
- f. The right to emergency medical care as required by California Government Code §845.6.

114. Defendants' violations of Plaintiffs' and Decedent's due process rights with deliberate indifference, in and of themselves constitute violations of the Bane Act.⁴ Alternatively, separate from, and above and beyond, Defendants' attempted interference, interference with, and violation of JOHN ADENA rights as described above, Defendants violated Decedent's rights by the following conduct constituting threat, intimidation, or coercion:

⁴ See *Atayde v. Napa State Hosp.*, No. 1:16-cv-00398-DAD-SAB, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 126639, at *23 (E.D. Cal. Sept. 16, 2016) (citing *M.H. v. Cty. of Alameda*, 90 F. Supp. 3d 889, 899 (N.D. Cal. 2013)); see also, *Cornell v. City and County of San Francisco*, Nos. A141016, A142147, 2017 Cal. App. LEXIS 1011 at *58, f.n. 32 (Cal. Ct. App. Nov. 16, 2017) (approving *M.H.*, *supra.*); *Reese v. County of Sacramento*, 888 F.3d 1030, 1043-44 (9th Cir. 2018) (following *Cornell*); *Rodriguez v. County of L.A.*, 891 F.3d 776, 799, 802 (9th Cir. 2018) (following *Cornell*).

- a. With deliberate indifference to JOHN ADENA's serious medical needs, suffering, and risk of grave harm including death, depriving JOHN ADENA of necessary, life-saving care for his medical and/or psychiatric needs;
- b. Subjecting JOHN ADENA to repeated uses of excessive force, causing immense and needless suffering, intimidation, coercion, and threats to his life and well-being;
- c. Causing JOHN ADENA to be placed in punitive solitary confinement for his lawful resistance to Defendants' uses of excessive force and for his mental disturbance, thereby further depriving him of necessary observation and conditions necessary for his safety and well-being;
- d. Instituting and maintaining the unconstitutional customs, policies, and practices described herein, when it was obvious that in doing so, individuals such as JOHN ADENA would be subjected to violence, threat, intimidation, coercion, and ongoing violations of rights as Decedent was here.

115. The threat, intimidation, and coercion described herein were not necessary or inherent to Defendants' violation of Decedent's rights, or to any legitimate and lawful jail or law enforcement activity.

116. Further, all of Defendants' violations of duties and rights, and coercive conduct, described herein were volitional acts; none was accidental or merely negligent.

117. Further, each Defendant violated Plaintiffs' and Decedent's rights by their reckless disregard and with the specific intent and purpose to deprive them of their enjoyment of those rights and of the interests protected by those rights.

118. Defendants COUNTY and WELLPATH are vicariously liable for the violation of rights by their employees and agents.

119. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' violation of California Civil Code § 52.1 and of Decedent's rights under the United States and California Constitutions, Plaintiffs (as successors in interest for Decedent) sustained injuries and damages, and against each and every Defendant is entitled to relief as set forth above at ¶¶ 91-94, including punitive damages against all

1 individual Defendants and WELLPATH, and all damages allowed by California Civil Code §§ 52
2 and 52.1 and California law, not limited to costs attorneys' fees, and civil penalties.

3 **FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**
4 **(Violation of California Government Code § 845.6)**
5 **AGAINST DEFENDANTS SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ,**
6 **GRADY, NEVES, CORTEZ, AND REMAINING DOES**

7 120. Plaintiffs reallege each and every paragraph in this complaint as if fully set forth
8 here.

9 121. Defendants SCHRITTER, HURTE, DIAZ, ALCAZAR, JURKIEWICZ, GRADY,
10 NEVES, CORTEZ, and REMAINING DOES knew or had reason to know that JOHN ADENA was
11 in need of immediate medical care and treatment, including being transferred for emergency
12 medical care, and each failed to take reasonable action to summon immediate medical care and
13 treatment. Each such individual defendant, employed by and acting within the course and scope of
14 his/her employment with Defendant COUNTY, knowing and/or having reason to know of JOHN
15 ADENA's need for immediate medical care and treatment, failed to take reasonable action to
16 summon such care and treatment in violation of California Government Code § 845.6.

17 122. Defendant COUNTY is vicariously liable for the violations of state law and conduct
18 of their officers, deputies, employees, and agents, including individual named defendants, under
19 California Government Code sections 815.2 and 845.6.

20 123. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned acts of these Defendants,
21 Plaintiffs and Decedent were injured as set forth above, and their losses entitle Plaintiffs to all
22 damages allowable under California law. Plaintiffs (individually and as Successors in Interest for
23 Decedent) sustained serious and permanent injuries and is entitled to damages, penalties, costs, and
24 attorney fees under California law as set forth in ¶¶ 91-94, above, including punitive damages
25 against these individual Defendants.
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RELIEF REQUESTED

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request the following relief against each and every Defendant herein, jointly and severally:

- d. Compensatory and exemplary damages in an amount according to proof and which is fair, just, and reasonable;
- e. Punitive damages under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and California law in an amount according to proof and which is fair, just, and reasonable (Plaintiffs do not seek punitive damages against the COUNTY);
- f. All other damages, penalties, costs, interest, and attorneys' fees as allowed by 42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1988; California Code of Civil Procedure §§ 377.20 et seq., 377.60 et seq., and 1021.5; California Civil Code §§ 52 et seq., 52.1; and as otherwise may be allowed by California and/or federal law;
- g. Declaratory and injunctive relief – including but not limited to reforms of Defendants' policies, practices, training and supervision – according to proof and which is fair, just, and reasonable;
- h. Such further relief, according to proof, that this Court deems appropriate and lawful.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiffs hereby demand a jury trial in this action.

Dated: April 29, 2021

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